



**Title:** Senior Attorney

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**Location:** Redmond, WA, United States

**Job Family:** Corporate, External & Legal Affairs

## **Senior Attorney, Cloud and Enterprise**

The world is experiencing unprecedented in growth in cloud services and mobile devices. That growth is powered by the developers who write the apps we love to use every day on our phones, tablets and computers, and who develop and run the backend cloud services that help bring those apps to life.

Microsoft has a deep commitment to offer developers the tools they need to create those apps and cloud services. Microsoft is evolving its industry leading line of Visual Studio, MSDN, and .NET family of products to excite developers and help them build apps and cloud services for any device and any business need. As a result, Developer Tools is not only one of Microsoft's billion dollar-plus businesses, but is also a long time strategic imperative for the company and a key pillar for supporting all of Microsoft's major products and services.

Microsoft's legal department is looking for a dynamic, motivated, and seasoned Senior Attorney to lead legal support for these strategic developer tool products. This attorney will obtain a broad perspective across the products and services offered by Microsoft as a whole, and have unique insights and opportunities to contribute into the overall strategy of the developer tools business. Most importantly, this attorney will have the opportunity to help Microsoft win share in important new market segments.

The main responsibilities for this role include:

- Working directly with the Visual Studio CVP and other executives, engineers, program managers, and business development to analyze legal risks, devise creative solutions, and develop strong, trusted advisor relationships;
- Leading legal support for a small team of legal professionals supporting developer tool products;
- Providing proactive counseling on intellectual property licensing, open source software and communities, privacy, accessibility, standards, and antitrust;
- Drafting and negotiating a wide range of custom and standard contracts and legal documents;
- Extensive and close collaboration with colleagues, legal specialists, and senior level clients on cross-company initiatives and transactions; and
- Training business groups on relevant legal issues, policies, and processes.



Successful candidates must have a J.D. or a license to practice law in the U.S., 10+ years of experience as a practicing attorney. Candidates should have a passion for technology, and ideally a strong technical background, a good understanding of the technology industry, and some familiarity with developer tools. We also require outstanding academic credentials, excellent oral and written communication skills, and a commitment to providing the highest quality client service. The person in this role needs to think creatively and strategically, act pragmatically with a strong bias for action, work efficiently, prioritize workflow, and collaborate well to manage complex projects that cut across organizational boundaries. This person should also have an interest and aptitude for learning about new business strategies, new technologies, and new areas of the law. They must also be flexible in adjusting to workload fluctuations and business imperatives.

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